

REMARKS

In a Notice of Allowability mailed March 3, 2010, claims 1, 2, 4, and 16-18 were indicated as allowed. Applicants note that the Notice of Allowability included an Examiner's Amendment placing the application in condition for allowance. Subsequently, a Supplemental Notice of Allowability was mailed on April 19, 2010 in order to correct formal matters in the Examiner's Amendment.

Herein, Applicants submit an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 to correct formal matters in the claims. In particular, claim 16 has been amended to add a colon after the word "comprising" in the first line of the claim.

Additionally, Applicants note that while the Examiner's Amendment correctly removes the word "and" from line 19 of claim 16, this change is not indicated with a strikethrough of the word "and." However, as the result of removing the word "and" is correct, Applicants do not believe it is necessary to further correct the Examiner's Amendment in regard to this issue.

Similarly, Applicants note that while the Examiner's Amendment correctly adds the word "wherein" to line 20 of claim 16, this change is not indicated with the word "wherein" being underlined. However, as the result of adding the word "wherein" is correct, Applicants do not believe it is necessary to further correct the Examiner's Amendment in regard to this issue.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the above amendment to claim 16 does not change the scope of the claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.132.

Respectfully submitted,

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